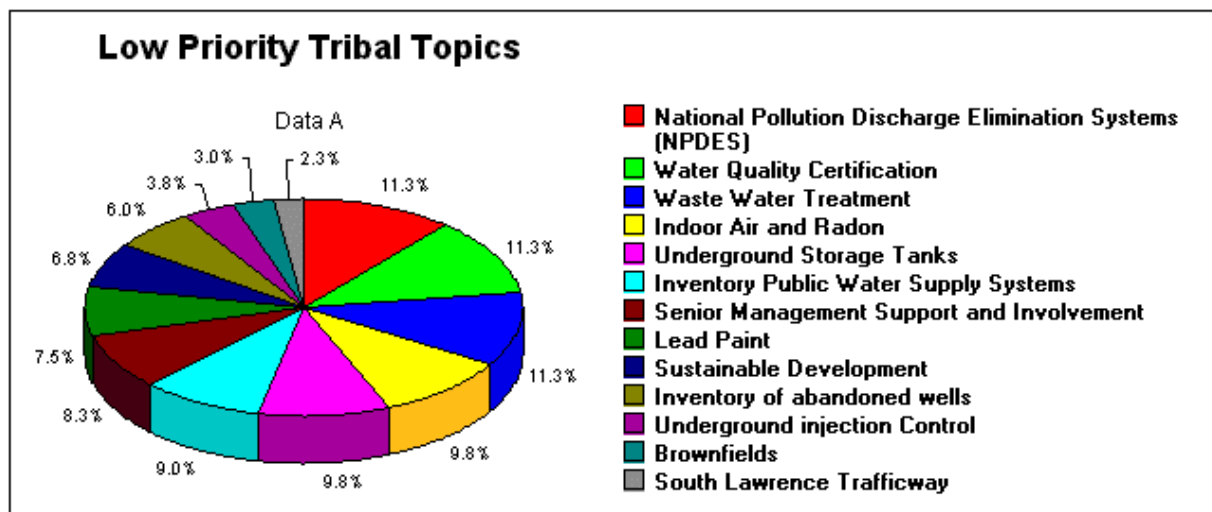
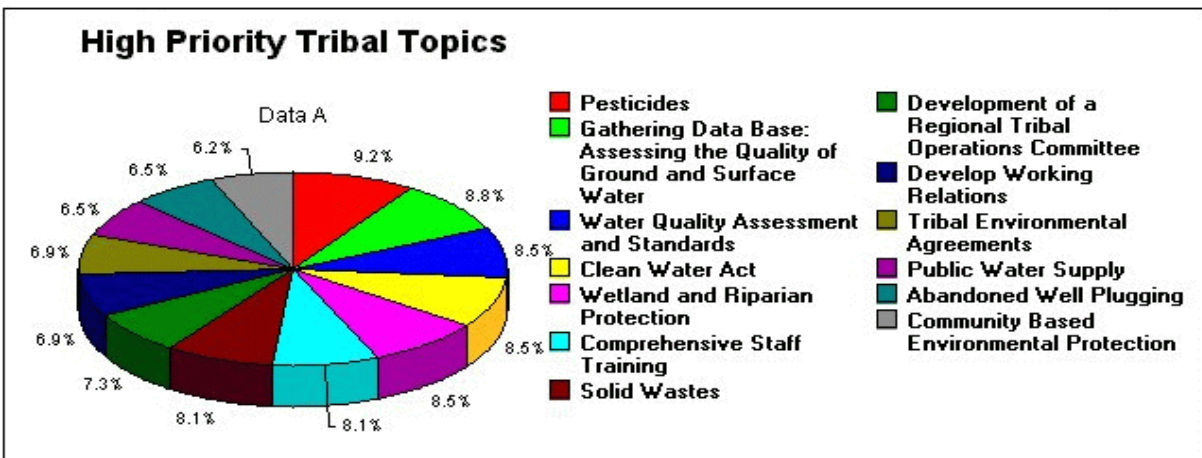


Tribal Multimedia Compliance Workshop Summary

On June 8 and 9, 1999 representatives from Nations from Regions 6, 7 and 8 met to exchange ideas. The Tribal Multimedia Compliance Workshop held at Haskell Indian Nations University was the first workshop designed around the concerns of Tribal Nations. Some of the prominent representatives were: Region 6 - David Saporza represented 19 Pueblo tribes in the Southwest and Marilyn Rogers, Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, Region 7 - Steve Cadue, Kickapoo Nation, and Ray Spoonhunter, Prairie Band Potawatomie and Region 8 - Gerald Wagner, Blackfeet Nation and Si Ironheart, Spirit Lake Sioux.

Workshop sessions were designed around the concerns of the Tribal Nations learned through information gathering over the past year. The pie charts show the topics and the percentage of interest used to determine the workshop session topics.



Overview of the Workshop:

June 8, 1999

- " The workshop began with a prayer at the Medicine Wheel given by Michael Yellowbird.
- " Representatives from Haskell Indian Nations University, Governor Bill Graves Office, and EPA welcomed the participants to the workshop.
- " Tuesday evening, June 8, 1999, Gerald (Jerry) Hill, Attorney from the Oneida Nation, was the guest speaker at a small gathering for dinner at Old Chicago in Lawrence, Kansas. Mr. Hill spoke of the importance of Nations to realize that, as federal agencies are concerned, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is a baby compared to other federal agencies. It must be taken into consideration that EPA is still growing and learning and that no one should expect EPA to have all or most of the answers. EPA is still learning what the questions are. In the same respect EPA should learn to respect the Tribal Nations as nations with independent cultures, religions and governments.

June 9, 1999

- " Dan Wildcat, Co-Director of the Haskell Environmental Research Studies, spoke of the growing needs for EPA and Tribal Nations to work together to help the earth.
- " EPA staff, in the areas of indicated on the Pie Charts, presented current information regarding the regulations and controls in these areas. During question and answers in the sessions dialogue developed between the Tribal representatives and EPA staff that encouraged a valuable exchange of information..
- " On June 9, 1999, the workshop ended with a prayer given by Woody Corbine, Mini Sosi Coalition, thanking the creator for bringing all the participants together, both Tribal and EPA, and wishing everyone a safe trip home.
- " Ongoing communication with the sharing of information and ideas for both the participants and the presenters.
- " The attached Session Evaluation Chart provides the results of the evaluations collected after each session. This chart reinforces the good reception of the workshop. (Attachment 1)

Follow-up on the Workshop:

- " Packets were sent to those Tribal Nations who wanted to attend but were unable to do so.
- " Phone contact will be made to representatives who attended the workshop to make sure that all their EPA needs in regards to information/assistance resources were met.
- " Information on concerns received at the workshop and that may be expressed during the follow-up contact will be forwarded to the appropriate departments.

The workshop was well received. Many participants asked if it would be an annual program as they felt that it filled a need for the sharing of information.